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## Ohio Annual Crop Summary

Despite cooler temperatures and above average rainfall throughout the season, Ohio producers saw record yields for corn and soybean crops, according to Cheryl Turner, State Statistician of the USDA, NASS, Ohio Field Office. Planting in Ohio began late due to a cool and wet early spring. Heavy rains in mid-May dampened planting progress, but rapid planting the last week of May brought progress up to near normal across most of the State. Cooler prevailing weather throughout the summer kept degree days behind normal, but also kept soil moisture at adequate levels and insect pressures in check. Warm, dry conditions in late September and October helped make fields accessible and helped the crops dry down in preparation for harvest.

Ohio's 2014 average corn yield was estimated at a record high 176 bushels per acre, down one bushel from the November forecast but up two bushels from 2013. Producers harvested 3.47 million acres, compared to 3.73 million acres in 2013. Total State production of corn for grain was 611 million bushels, down 6 percent from the 2013 record production of 649 million bushels. Acreage harvested for silage was 190,000 acres, an increase of 60,000 acres from 2013. The average silage yield increased by 1 ton from 2013 to 20.5 tons per acre.

Ohio's average soybean yield for 2014 was estimated at a record high 52.5 bushels per acre. The estimate is up 2.5 bushels per acre from November and up 3 bushels from 2013. Ohio producers planted a record high 4.85 million acres and harvested 4.84 million acres. Planted and harvested acreage both increased by 350,000 acres from 2013. Combined with the increased yield, soybean production is up 14 percent from 2013 to a record high 254 million bushels.

Alfalfa yields for Ohio averaged 3.5 tons per acre while all other hay averaged 2.5 tons per acre. Total hay production was 2.71 million tons.

U.S. corn for grain production is estimated at a record 14.2 billion bushels, down 1 percent from the November forecast but 3 percent above the revised 2013 estimate. The average yield in the United States is estimated at a record high of 171.0 bushels per acre. This is down 2.4 bushels from the November forecast but 12.9 bushels above the revised 2013 average yield of 158.1 bushels per acre. Area harvested for grain is estimated at 83.1 million acres, up slightly from the November forecast but down 5 percent from the revised 2013 acreage.

U.S. soybean production in 2014 totaled a record 3.97 billion bushels, up slightly from the November forecast and up 18 percent from 2013. The average yield per acre is estimated at a record high 47.8 bushels, 0.3 bushel above the November forecast and 3.8 bushels above the 2013 yield. Harvested area is up 9 percent from 2013 to 83.1 million acres and is the highest on record.

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Commodity	Ohio			United States		
	2012	2013	2014	2012	2013	2014
Corn, all						
Planted..... 1,000 acres	3,900	3,900	3,700	97,291	95,365	90,597
Corn, grain						
Harvested..... 1,000 acres	3,650	3,730	3,470	87,365	87,451	83,136
Yield ..... Bushels	120.0	174.0	176.0	123.1	158.1	171.0
Production..... 1,000 bu	438,000	649,020	610,720	10,755,111	13,828,964	14,215,532
Corn, silage						
Harvested..... 1,000 acres	200	130	190	7,419	6,281	6,371
Yield ..... Tons	15.0	19.5	20.5	15.7	18.8	20.1
Production..... 1,000 tons	3,000	2,535	3,895	116,148	118,296	128,048
Hay, all .....						
Harvested..... 1,000 acres	1,030	1,000	960	54,653	57,897	57,092
Yield ..... Tons	2.15	2.50	2.82	2.14	2.33	2.45
Production..... 1,000 tons	2,214	2,495	2,710	117,072	135,002	139,798
Soybeans						
Planted..... 1,000 acres	4,600	4,500	4,850	77,198	76,840	83,701
Harvested..... 1,000 acres	4,590	4,490	4,840	76,144	76,253	83,061
Yield ..... Bushels	45.0	49.5	52.5	40.0	44.0	47.8
Production..... 1,000 bu	206,550	222,255	254,100	3,042,044	3,357,984	3,968,823
Tobacco						
Harvested..... Acres	1,900	2,100	2,000	336,245	355,675	378,360
Yield ..... Pounds	2,100	2,200	2,150	2,268	2,034	2,316
Production..... 1,000 lbs	3,990	4,620	4,300	762,709	723,579	876,415